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## BOOK REVIEWS AND NOTICES.

In the July *Out West* is the fifth and concluding installment of the translation of Junípero Serra's Diary.

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*The American Historical Review* for July contains *Robert le Bougre and the Beginnings of the Inquisition in Northern France*, II, by Charles H. Haskins; *European Archives*, by George L. Burr; *The Place of Nathaniel Macon in Southern History*, by William E. Dodd; *John Quincy Adams and the Monroe Doctrine*, I, by Worthington C. Ford; and *Ramsay as a Plagiarist*, by Orin Grant Libby. Two sets of documents are printed, namely, *A Letter of Alexander von Humboldt, 1845*, and *English Policy Toward America in 1790-1791*, I, with an introduction by Frederick J. Turner.

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*The Gulf States Historical Magazine* is a new publication which made its first appearance in July, 1902. It is edited by Mr. Thomas M. Owen, of Montgomery, Ala., and is issued bi-monthly. As announced by the editor, its principal object is "the exploitation of the history, literature, and antiquities of the region known geographically as the Gulf States. It will, however, embrace much valuable material bearing upon the history of the adjacent States." Of some interest to Texas students are, "The Beginnings of French Settlement of the Mississippi Valley," by Peter J. Hamilton, and "Texas Newspaper Files in the Library of Congress." Number 1 contains 80 pages, 50 of which are given to the publication of articles and historical documents. The remaining 30 pages are divided among the departments of "Minor Topics," "Notes and Queries," "Historical News," and "Book Notes and Reviews."

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The September issue (Vol. VI., No. 5) of *Publications* of the Southern History Association contains one article, entitled "General Sumter and his Neighbors" (to be continued), by Kate Furman. The remainder of the number consists of documents: W. H. C. Whiting's "Dairy of a Texas March," and the "Journal of Charles Porterfield" are concluded; "Early Quaker Records in Vir-

ginia" is continued; and new documents appear under the titles of "Calhoun and Secession," "The Hero of the Alamo," and "Reasons Against the Trial of Jefferson Davis." The first of these new documents is a letter from Calhoun to Judge Collin S. Tarpley, of Mississippi, dated July 9, 1849; under the second title the editor has grouped several letters concerning the expulsion of the Mexican garrison from Anahuac in the summer of 1835 by W. B. Travis; and the third takes the form of a letter from Hon. John H. Reagan to Maj. Geo. W. White, dated November 8, 1865.

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Year Book for Texas, 1901. Compiled by C. W. Raines, State Librarian. Austin: Gammel Book Company. 1902. 8vo, pp. 436, illustrated; cloth.

To convey a comprehensive idea of this book would necessitate the reprinting of its index. A sub-title, however, gives a general classification of its subjects into, "Public Officials and Departments under the Republic and State, Institutions, Important Events, Obituaries of Distinguished Dead, Industrial Development, Statistics, Biographical Sketches, and History never before Published." All the matter is arranged alphabetically, so that it is easily accessible, and Judge Raines's name on the title page is sufficient guarantee of the painstaking care with which the data have been prepared. In this connection it should be noted that all of his departmental, institutional, and statistical sketches have been compiled directly from the official records, filed in the various State departments. Succeeding issues of the *Year Book* will not contain so much departmental and institutional history, and it is expected that the space thus gained will be given to the publication of rare documents on Texas history.